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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) TO ACCEPT DECLARATION ON BEHALF OF INVENTOR WHO REFUSES TO JOIN

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) to accept the enclosed Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application signed by all inventors except Robert Rubino who cannot be reached. Submitted herewith in support of the petition are the following:

- 1. Declaration of Mr. Randolph J. Huis in Support of Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a); and
- 2. Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application signed by inventor Kevin A. Tabor. The signature space for the inventor who cannot be reached, Robert

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Rubino, has been left blank. A Declaration signed by inventor Patricia Dawson was filed with the original application.

The last known address of Robert Rubino is 296 Weigold Road, Tolland, CT 06084. This address is set forth in the Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application and is the same as that set forth in the many letters to Robert Rubino forwarding the application papers for signature, attached as Exhibits A-E to the declaration of Randolph J. Huis.

The petition fee set forth 37 CFR §1.17(h) is enclosed. Accordingly, grant of this petition and further processing of the application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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